GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6006
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RESTRUCTURING OF CENTRAL WAREHOUSING CORPORATION
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to restructure Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether CWC profit has been reduced during the last three years;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government for healthy growth of CWC?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION(SHRI SRIRAM CHAUHAN)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): Does not arise.

(e): The following steps have been taken for healthy growth of the Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC):-

(i) The Government has introduced Warehousing Corporations (Amendment) Bill, 2001 in the Parliament on July 30, 2001.The same has been passed by both Houses of Parliament in the current session. The proposed amendments will enable the CWC to set up warehouses abroad and also to enter into joint ventures.

(ii) The CWC will be one of the major players in bulk silo storage infrastructure.

(iii) No fresh recruitment is being undertaken by the CWC with a view to controlling theestablishment cost. Further, it is proposed to introduce a Voluntary Retirement Scheme in the CWC to curtail establishment cost.

(iv) The Corporation has improved percentage utilization of the storage capacity available with it. The present percentage utilization of storage capacity as on 1.6.2001 is 91%.

(v) Five new Container Freight Stations have been opened during 2000-2001 by the CWC.